

REMARKS

Applicant requests that the examiner consider the Information Disclosure Statement prior to issuing a substantive office action. In response to the species election, Applicant hereby elects the species shown in Figure 10 and claims 1-6, 9, 11-12, 16 and 18 read on this species.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 1-6, 9, 11-12, 16 and 18 are allowable over the prior art cited by the Examiner and early allowance of these claims and the application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the number below in order to speed the prosecution of this application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1896.

Respectfully submitted,

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